DRAFTER'S NOTE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE REFERENCE BUREAU

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ATTN: Ilsa Peterson

Please review the attached draft carefully to ensure that it is consistent with your intent. It is common for school buses on certain routes, on certain days, to be full. To place an absolute restriction on seating in the last two rows of the school bus could create significant problems for school districts and school bus contractors. Would they have to change their routes to accommodate the requirement under this bill or add additional buses to their fleet? I have prepared this draft to avoid this problem, by requiring the last two rows to remain empty if the school bus is not otherwise full. Please advise if this is not consistent with your intent.

The attached draft creates a penalty for a school bus seating violation. Is this penalty consistent with your intent?

The attached draft includes a short delayed effective date to allow school bus operators a chance to be educated about this new law. Is this okay?

Please let me know if you would like any changes made to the attached draft or if you have any questions. If the attached draft meets with your approval, let me know and I will convert it to an introducible "/1" draft.

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